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4. Berth

Depth at this berth is stated to be 31'. A shallow area is located at [redacted] several modern buildings, one floor in height, and approximately the same size as the older buildings on the opposite side of the quay, are located alongside the berthing area.

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5. Harbor A new quay is located at [redacted]

describes it as concrete surfaced with one railway track, no buildings, and a 29' along-side-depth. [redacted] the new quay is used for loading salt cargoes. [redacted] presence of a crane on this new quay,

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7. Naval Base Naval Base at Tsingtao is located at [redacted]
[redacted] no new buildings and no signs of activity.

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8. Naval Vessels [redacted] several PCs of about 136' at the naval base at Tsingtao. Also seen at that base were two submarines, apparently very old. These subs left on one occasion but returned the same day. Other naval vessels seen [redacted] were three or four small 40'-50' patrol types, one of which was customarily used for surveillance in harbor and anchorage area. Uniforms of sailors were [redacted] similar to Soviet naval uniforms.

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9. Merchant Vessels Merchant vessels noted [redacted] included the [redacted] which brought in steel plate and chemicals and departed with a cargo of salt for Dairen, and the [redacted] which carried bulk salt to Dairen, where she was reportedly to load full cargo for [redacted]

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10. Miscellaneous Matters of Possible Interest

a. [redacted] felt considerable sympathy for stevedores, who, [redacted] never smile and work like machines for a regular eight-hour day, after which they may find they have "volunteered" for an additional eight hours overtime - without pay. [redacted] stevedores are not even allowed to eat at home. [redacted] the stevedoring was rather poor in spite of the flags and exhortations.

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b. [redacted] reports presence of a four-engine, machine-gun-armed seaplane on Tuan Tao. [redacted] reports fortification on Cha Lien Tao and believed there was military activity on Tai Kung Tao. [redacted] Both islands are near the approach course to Tsingtao.

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c. [redacted] Tsingtao is a major transfer point for prisoners on their way to work in salt mines.

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